

The Administrative Office of the Courts was established in 1976 after a constitutional amendment (below) was passed during the Kentucky General Election on May 27, 1975.

AMENDMENT

Are you in favor of amending the constitution of the Commonwealth (by repealing the present sections 109 through 139, 141 and 143, and enacting in lieu thereof sections 109 through 124) to revise the Judicial Branch of Government by establishing one Court of Justice, composed of a Supreme Court, a Court of Appeals, a trial court of general jurisdiction known as the circuit court, and a trial court of limited jurisdiction known as the district court, but retain the nonjudicial powers and duties conferred upon the county judge and justices of the peace; providing for the location, composition, administration and jurisdiction of such courts; providing for the eligibility, term of office, election, removal, filling of vacancies, prohibited activities, compensation, and retirement of judges of such courts; providing for the election, selection and removal of the clerks of such courts; and providing a schedule of transition for those judges in office on the effective date of the amendment?

TOTAL VOTES: YES: 215,419 NO: 180,124

source: Kentucky State Board of Elections, <http://elect.ky.gov/results/75.htm>